**Food Corporation of Indi a**

2466. SHRl SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received requests to deparltnenta-lisethe handling operations of foodgrains in Food Corporation of India by doing away with present intermediary system ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action on these requests; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and i f not, t he reasons therefor ?

THB MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMA-LUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) Shri Sriballav Panigrahi M.P. (Lok Sabha) had raised this maitei in he Lok Sabha on 4-5-1992 under Rule 377.

(c) and (d) In pursuance; of the directions of the Supreme Cour on a writ petition filed by FCI Works Union in 1983 for abol'lon of contract labour system in the FCI, Government has so far notified 193 centres of FCI prohibiting employment of contract labour her in. FCI management has ilready entered into an agreement with he labour unions for introducing departmental sys em in 78 centr-.'-s :md further ac ion like idsn ifscalion and assessment of labour streng h required is in progress. In respec of 102 centres, the matter has been referred back to the Ministry of Labour for furrher consideration. In the remaining 13 centres, effor;s are being made to insial labour cooperatives so as to save the labourers from any possible exploitation by i he contractors.

**Allocatiou of Levy Sugar**

2467. SHRI CHHOTUBHAl PATEL SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT: SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL: Will the Minister of Food be pleased to state:

(a) what is the Government policy for allocation of levy sugar;

(b) what is the monthly , allocation to Gujarat;

(c) whether Government propose to fix the levy sugar quota on the basis of Census of 1991;

(d) if so, what is the population of Gujarat as per census 1991 ;

(e) whether the Government of Gujarat has requested for increasing the levy quota; and

(f) whether Government propose to increase the sugar quota and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUD-DIN AHMED) (a) Under the present policy of partial control, monthly allocations of levy sugar to most of the States/UTs are made on uniform norms of ensuring minimum 425 gms per capita monthly availability for the projected po-pulation as on 1-10-86. These norms are effective from 1-2-87. In addition, an adhoc increase of 5% in the monthly levy allocations of all States/Uts has been allowed since August, 1991, which will continue till Sept., 1992, when the position would again be reviewed.

(b) The monthly allocation of levy sugar to Gujarat is 16194 tonnes since February, 1987. In addition,

on adhoc 5% levy sugar allocation of 810 tonnes is also being allotted each month to Gujarat from August 1991 to Sept., 1992.

(o) As mentioned at (a) above, an adhoc increase of 5 % in the monthly levy allocations of all States/ UTs has been allowed from August, 1991, which will continue till Sept., 1992, when the position would again be reviewed.

(d) As per the information fur nished by the Registrar General of India, the copulation of Gujarat. as per 1991' Census is 41,174,343.

(e) and (f) No such request has been received recently. However, further increase in the levy sugar allocations of States/UTs would de pend upon the sustained increase in the levels of sugar production.

**Setting up of Raman Science Centre at Nagpur**

@2468. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of Human Resource Development be pleased to state:

(a) what is the existing status of the setting up of the Raman Sc'ence Centre at Nagpur in Maharashtra;

(b) what is the financial allocation made in this regard; and

(c) by when it is likely to be completed aid opened for the public?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) The Raman Science Centre at Nagpur in Maharashtra has already been set up. It was dedicated to the Nation by the Prime Minister on 19th March, 1992.

(b) Rs. 125.00 lakhs have been spent on this Centre.

(c) It has already been opened for public on 19th March, 1992.

**Vacant Posts in Nehru Memorial Museum and Library**

2469. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sanctioned posts in the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library are lying vacant for a long time;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the last Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) in the matter o the Museum and Library acted in a partisan manner;

(c) whether the posts for the fulfilment of which the said Departmental Promotion Committee was held, has since lapsed; and

(d) if so, what action Government propose to take against the erring officer?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) Yes. Sir. According to the in-formation received from Nehru Memorial Museum and Library some posts which have been vacant for some time have remained unfilled, mainly as an economy measure.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. (d) Does not arise.

@Previously Unstirred Question No. 1631, transferred from 23rd July 1992.